

~~24.~~ The method of claim 22, wherein the composition includes quercetin.--

--25. The method of claim 22, wherein the composition is suitable for topical delivery.--

--26. The method of claim 22, wherein the composition is suitable for oral delivery.

--27. The method of claim 23, wherein the composition is suitable for topical delivery.--

~~28.~~ The method of claim 23, wherein the composition is suitable for oral delivery.

~~29.~~ The method of claim 24, wherein the composition is suitable for topical delivery.--

~~30.~~ The method of claim 24, wherein the composition is suitable for oral delivery.

31. A method of claim 23 wherein the composition further comprises a compound selected from the group consisting of an antiinflammatory agent, a retinoid, a glucocorticoid, an antioxidant, a comedolytic, and an antibacterial agent.--

--32. The method of claim 31, wherein the retinoid is selected from the group consisting of retinol, retinal, retinoic acid and etretinate.--

~~33.~~ The method of claim 31, wherein the antibacterial is tetracycline.--

34. The method of claim 31, wherein the antioxidant is selected from the group consisting of NAC, vitamin C and FDO.--

Sub 23 35. The method of claim 31, wherein the composition includes a triazole.

36. The method of claim 35, wherein the triazole is selected from the group consisting of ketonazole, fluconazole, itraconazole, liarozole, itemazole and flucytosine.--

37. The method of claim 31, wherein the composition includes retinol.

Sub 24 38. A method of claim 24 wherein the composition further comprises a compound selected from the group consisting of an antiinflammatory agent, a retinoid, a glucocorticoid, an antioxidant, a comedolytic, and an antibacterial agent.--

39. The method of claim 38, wherein the retinoid is selected from the group consisting of retinol, retinal, retinoic acid and etretinate.--

40. The method of claim 38, wherein the antibacterial is tetracycline.--

41. The method of claim 38, wherein the antioxidant is selected from the group consisting of NAC, vitamin C and FDO.--

Sub 25 42. The method of claim 38, wherein the composition includes a triazole.--

43. The method of claim 42, wherein the triazole is selected from the group consisting of ketonazole, fluconazole, itraconazole, liarozole, itemazole and flucytosine.--

44 44. The method of claim 38, wherein the composition includes retinol.

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44. A method for ameliorating the symptoms of acne, comprising:  
administering to an acne sufferer in need thereof an effective amount  
of genistein, quercetin, or a mixture thereof in a pharmaceutically  
acceptable carrier.--

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~~45.~~ The method of claim <sup>45</sup>44, wherein the administration is oral.--

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~~46.~~ The method of claim <sup>45</sup>44, wherein the administration is topical.--

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~~47.~~ The method of claim <sup>45</sup>44, further comprising the administration of a  
retinoid.--

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~~48.~~ The method of claim <sup>45</sup>44, further comprising the administration of a  
triazole.

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~~49.~~ The method of claim <sup>45</sup>44, further comprising the administration of an  
antiinflammatory agent, a retinoid, a glucocorticoid, an antioxidant, a  
comedolytic, an antibacterial agent, or a combination of two or more  
thereof.--

#### REMARKS

Entry of the foregoing amendments, and reexamination and reconsideration of the subject application, pursuant to and consistent with 37 C.F.R. § 1.104 and § 1.112, and in light of the following remarks, are respectfully requested.

The sole independent composition claim was previously rejected over a reference disclosure of DHEA (dehydroepiandrosterone) and a retinoid.

As now amended, and without acquiescing in the prior rejection and without disclaimer to filing one or more divisional applications directed to the claims previously rejected, Applicants are now presenting independent claims particular to the use of genistein or quercetin (or a mixture thereof) for the treatment of acne.